GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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PROMOTION OF ORNAMENTAL FISHERIES .
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the subsidy given to the ornamental fish farmers by MPEDA has been withdrawn;

(b) If so, the reasons therefor;

(c) Whether the Government has received representations from the farmers to reintroduce the subsidy; and

(d) If so, the reaction of the Government thereto alongwith the steps taken to promote ornamental fishries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) & (b) In order to reorient the subsidy scheme to the ornamental fish farmers to contribute more effectively to the export of ornamental fishes from the country, the subsidy is being linked with the export obligation by the Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA).

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The linking of subsidy with export obligations is desirable in order to promote exports.